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Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A multi-layered comfort strip secured to a razor body, said multi-layered comfort strip comprising:
a first layer defining a first side that is generally in contact with the surface being shaved during normal shaving, said first layer having a first material composition, said first material composition having a first thermal expansion coefficient;
a second layer mated to said first layer, said second layer having a second material composition and being secured to said razor body, said second material composition having a second thermal expansion coefficient and being positioned such that said second layer is not in contact with the skin during normal shaving; and
said second thermal expansion coefficient more closely matches a thermal expansion coefficient of said razor body than does said first thermal expansion coefficient.
2. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said first material composition includes a first concentration of a shaving aid;
said second material composition includes a second concentration of said shaving aid which is less than said first concentration of said shaving aid.
3. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 2, wherein:
said shaving aid includes one of a cream, an oil and a soap.
4. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said second layer is more rigid than said first layer.
5. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured to a head portion of said razor body, said head portion supporting a blade of said razor; and
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured adjacent to said blade.

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6. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured to a cartridge of said razor body, said
cartridge supporting a blade of said razor; and
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured adjacent to said blade.
7. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 5, wherein:
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured to said head portion by an adhesive.
8. (Withdrawn) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 5, wherein:
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured a channel formed in said head portion.
9. (Withdrawn) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 8, wherein:
said channel includes substantially perpendicular opposing side walls.
10. (Withdrawn) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 5, wherein:
said channel includes angled opposing side walls.
11. (Withdrawn) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 5, wherein:
said multi-layered comfort strip is secured in a raised channel formed in said head
portion.
12. (Withdrawn) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 8, wherein:
said second layer is substantially disposed within said channel; and
said first layer is substantially disposed outside of said channel.
13. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said first layer and said second layer are co-extruded.
14. (Original) The multi-layered comfort strip according to claim 1, wherein:
said first layer and said second layer have contrasting colorations.

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15. (Withdrawn) A method for providing a comfort strip to a razor, said method comprising the steps of:

forming a first layer of material having a first thermal expansion coefficient;

forming a second layer of material that incorporates a filler, said second layer having a second thermal expansion coefficient; wherein said second thermal expansion coefficient more closely matches a thermal expansion coefficient of said razor than does said first thermal expansion coefficient;

mating said base layer to said lubricating layer; and

securing said base layer to a portion of said razor.

16. (Withdrawn) The method for providing a comfort strip to a razor according to claim 15, said method further comprising the steps of:

including a first predetermined amount of shaving aids in said first layer of material;

including a second predetermined amount of said shaving aids in said second layer;

and

ensuring that said second predetermined amount of said shaving aids is less than said first predetermined amount of said shaving aids.

17. (Withdrawn) The method for providing a comfort strip to a razor according to claim 16, said method further comprising the steps of:

utilizing an adhesive to secure said second layer to said razor.

18. (Withdrawn) The method for providing a comfort strip to a razor according to claim 17, said method further comprising the steps of:

inserting said second layer into a channel formed in said razor.

19. (Withdrawn) The method for providing a comfort strip to a razor according to claim 15, said method further comprising the steps of:

forming said first layer and said second layer to have contrasting colorations.

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20. (Withdrawn) The method for providing a comfort strip to a razor according to claim 15, said method further comprising the steps of:

ensuring that a predetermined thermal expansion coefficient of said filler more closely matches said thermal expansion coefficient of said razor than does said first thermal expansion coefficient.

21. (Currently Amended) A multi-layered comfort strip secured to a razor body, said multi-layered comfort strip comprising:

a first layer defining a first side that is generally exposed to the surface being shaved during shaving;

a second layer mated to said first layer, said second layer being secured to said razor body and positioned such that said second layer is not in contact with the skin during shaving;
and

wherein a first material composition of said first layer differs from a second material composition of said second layer.